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favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please record.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 7 nays, Madam President, on the advancement of LB 118.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: LB 118 advances. Mr. Clerk, items for the record.

CLERK: Madam President, your Committee on Transportation, chaired by Senator Kristensen, reports LB 9 to General File with amendments, LB 10 General File with amendments, LB 21 File with amendments, those signed by Senator Kristensen. Committee on Government, chaired by Senator Robinson, reports LB 34 to General File, (LB) 57 General File, LB 40 General File with amendments. I have a Reference Report referring LBs 556 through LB 649, as well as some constitutional amendments. Hearing notices from Judiciary, Natural Resources, Revenue Committee, signed by the respective chairs. Senator Robinson would like to print amendments to LB 598. That is all that I have, Madam President. (See pages 417-421 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. LB 29.

CLERK: LB 29 introduced by Senator Beutler. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 9, referred to the Banking, Commerce, and Insurance Committee for hearing. The bill was advanced to General File. I have no amendments to the bill.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The Chair recognizes Senator Beutler to open on the bill.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Madam Lieutenant Governor, members of the Legislature, a number of years ago beginning in about 1990, the federal government passed regulations setting up several federal organizations to, basically, oversee tighter regulation and enhancement of certain kinds of protective provisions relating to financial institutions, banks, savings and loan, all in response to the crisis of the 1980s involving a large number of our financial institutions where part of the problem was perceived to have to do with appraisers and appraisals. And so the federal government, with respect to loans that are federally